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Response

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated November 12, 2002, you will find enclosed a new computer readable diskette as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823. Also, please replace the printed version with the one enclosed as certain errors were discovered. The current sequence listing is identical to the application as filed.

You will also find a petition for a four-month extension of time
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Respectfully submitted,

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